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State Energy Office Seeks Proposals to Track State Building Emissions

The Nevada State Office of Energy ("NSOE") released a request for proposal ("RFP") this week to conduct a cutting-edge program at approximately 125 state buildings that have installed energy efficiency and renewable energy projects. EnergyStar Portfolio Manager will calculate buildings' greenhouse gas emissions, including carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide, from on-site fuel combustion and purchased electricity.

"We have an agreement with the U.S. Department of Energy to conduct EnergyStar Portfolio Manager on these buildings using American Reinvestment and Recovery Act federal money," NSOE Renewable Energy Analyst Tara Vogel said. "The grant requires us to report specific criteria to the DOE."

The State Buildings program Vogel administers has allocated more than \$7.9 million for energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades to state-owned buildings. Projects including solar photovoltaic installations, HVAC system improvements, T-8 fluorescent and LED lighting upgrades, lighting control systems, and energy saving window treatments are projected to save the state more than \$745,000 in energy costs per year.

A 30-kilowatt solar photovoltaic project, for example, has been completed at the Henderson Department of Motor Vehicles Office. A full list of the projects and their current status can be viewed at www.spwb.state.nv.us/EnergyOfficeCoordination/nbsr.pdf.

Proposals for the RFP will be evaluated and scored based upon demonstrated competence, experience in performance of comparable agreements, reasonableness of cost, conformance with terms of the RFP, and the expertise and availability of key personnel. They must be submitted to the NSOE by August 31 at 5 p.m.

For more information, contact the Nevada State Office of Energy at (775) 687-1850 or visit www.energy.state.nv.us and click on State Buildings.